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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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- U.S. Basic National Fees
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- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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Additionally the following defects have been observed:

- Additional claim fees of \$156 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees

are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$156** for a Large Entity:

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$156**
 - \$84 for 1 independent claims over 3.
 - \$72 for 4 total claims over 20.

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